



Attorney's Docket No. HOS-57
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1772
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KOGURE, GOKURAKU, TAKAHASHI) Examiner: Marc A. Patterson
IMANARI, KITAHAMA)
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Serial No. 09/629,949)
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For: **MULTI-LAYER EXPANSION-MOLDED ARTICLE OF POLYPROPYLENE
RESIN, PRODUCTION PROCESS THEREOF, AND CONTAINER,
SHOCK-ABSORBING MATERIAL FOR AUTOMOBILE AND AUTOMOTIVE
MEMBER FORMED OF THE MULTI-LAYER EXPANSION-MOLDED
ARTICLE OF POLYPROPYLENE RESIN**

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of November 14, 2003, with a three month shortened statutory period to respond set to expire on February 14, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed under the Saturday, Sunday, Holiday rule.

In view of the following remarks and claim amendments, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the rejections and allow all claims as presently claimed in this application.